

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A sterile ciclesonide-containing ~~sterile~~ aqueous suspension sterilized by autoclaving a ciclesonide-containing aqueous suspension, wherein the concentration of ciclesonide after autoclaving is 95% or more compared to that before autoclaving.
2. (Original) The ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 1 additionally containing hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.
3. (Original) The ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 2, wherein the hydroxypropylmethylcellulose is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose 2910.
4. (Withdrawn) A method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension comprising the step of sterilization by autoclaving a ciclesonide-containing aqueous suspension.
5. (Withdrawn) The method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 4, wherein the concentration of ciclesonide after autoclaving is 95% or more compared to that before autoclaving.
6. (Withdrawn) The method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 4, wherein the ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension

additionally contains hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.

7. (Withdrawn) The method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 6, wherein the hydroxypropylmethylcellulose is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose 2910.

8. (Withdrawn) The method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 5, wherein the ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension additionally contains hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.

9. (Withdrawn) The method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 8, wherein the hydroxypropylmethylcellulose is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose 2910.